

Team York selected for the 2021 CAPP/PAAC National Public Administration Case Competition

It takes teamwork to make a dream work. - The Second Best Exotic Marigold Hotel (2015)



Five first-year MPPAL students emerged from Fall try-outs to represent York University in the 2021 CAPP/PAAC National Public Administration Case Competition <https://cappa.ca/en/what-we-do/case-competition/>. They will compete against twelve other university teams from across Canada. CAPP/PAAC, with support from Carleton University, will convene the Competition virtually on February 20. The team will be comprised of **Eva Fok, Paula Tablon-Modica, Pravina Rajadurai, Ranziba Nehrin, and Dilumi Rupasinghe.**

Congratulations to the Team, and many thanks to all MPPAL students who tried out. Coach John Wilkins and Executive in Residence Rory O'Connor also extend appreciation to faculty and alumni who contributed their time and constructive feedback during the try-outs. Their advice will be even more critical in preparing the Team for the challenge ahead.

The Team will hold weekly practices via Zoom until the Competition case is received for analysis on February 10. A dry-run presentation will be scheduled during Winter Reading Week. Please contact Coach Wilkins at wilkins@yorku.ca for more information about the schedule, attending practices, or the National Competition.



LUNCH & LEARN



Meet the SPPA Federal Executive Public Servant in Residence:
Rory O'Connor



Grab your lunch and tune in as we speak with Rory O'Connor about the key skills needed to succeed as a public administrator in the federal government.

Rory O'Connor is an Associate Regional Director at Indigenous Services Canada.

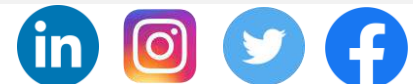
Join us virtually on
**Thursday, February 4, 2021 from
11:30 AM to 12:30 PM**



Megan Fowler, first year MPPAL Student will be the **Session Facilitator**

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Learn more about Rory O'Connor [here](#)

The Geneva Challenge 2021: The Challenges of Crisis Management

Advancing Development Goals

International Contest for graduate students

The Geneva Challenge is a project funded by Swiss Ambassador Jenö Staehelin and aims to encourage interdisciplinary problem-solving analysis among master students on advancing human development within the scope of a relevant topic. This year, students are invited to develop analysis-based proposals on "The Challenges of Crisis Management".

As the key to this issue is an interdisciplinary solution, crossing traditional boundaries between academic disciplines, we are inviting Master students from all academic programmes and from anywhere in the world to provide helpful strategic recommendations. Five prizes, one per continent, will be distributed.

Teams of 3-5 master students must submit an 8,000 words proposal which:

- identify a challenge stemming from crisis management;
- construct an interdisciplinary analysis on how it affects different aspects of development in a specific (but transposable) context;
- propose innovation at the policy, practice, process or technology levels turning the challenge into development opportunity.

The Geneva Challenge 2021 will distribute 25'000 CHF in monetary prizes and the five finalist teams will be invited (travel and accommodation expenses covered) to publicly present their work in Geneva before a panel of high-level experts. Networking opportunities are also envisioned as part of the prize package.

Registrations close on 22 March 2021

Submission due by 12 July 2021

More information is available on

<https://graduateinstitute.ch/TheGenevaChallenge>



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Couchiching's Raising Hope: Canada in the World After COVID-19

The Couchiching Conference took place for 85 years with leaders, policymakers, authors, artists, scientists and engaged citizens. This tradition of exploring important issues together continues under the auspices of the Canadian International Council. Couchiching 2021 will be a Zoom conversation on the issues that have marked Canadian experiences during the pandemic and need to be addressed now and into the future: health care, the economy, climate change and international relations.

**Join us on Saturday, January 30, from 1pm to 4pm EST
for the first Couchiching Zoom Conference!**

More information is available on the registration page, so register today!

Email us at couchiching@thecic.org if you have any questions.
This event will be recorded for later broadcast.

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[Public Policy Intern - Springboard Policy](#)

Come work with us! This public policy internship is targeted at people starting their public policy careers. Current students and recent graduates are encouraged to apply. The role will include research, writing, project management, briefing, preparing presentation materials and monitoring developments, including government consultations, committee schedules, etc. This is a full-time internship opportunity for up to 6 months. The candidate will work on public policy issues relating to social, economic and tech policy. The intern will be a key part of a small team and have opportunities to learn across the organization.

[Health Policy Analyst - College of Family Physicians of Canada](#)

To provide policy analysis and research on health policy issues, to interact with government officials to obtain relevant policy data and summarize it for the CFPC senior staff. The policy analyst leads the writing of materials for the Patient's Medical Home series of publications as well as government-focused documents. Knowledgeable about the CFPC and its processes, the policy analyst takes initiative and responds to queries from members and those in other CFPC departments. To assist CFPC committees in their discussions, the policy analyst provides background materials and draft policy papers, when appropriate. The policy analyst also supports relevant committees and working groups through logistical support, research and writing capacity as necessary.

[Director of Operations & Government Relations - ABC Life Literacy Canada](#)

ABC Life Literacy Canada is looking for a Director of Operations & Government Relations for a one-year, renewable contract. You will be responsible for working closely with the Executive Director and Management Team in overseeing ABC operations and government relations.

[Manager of Policy, Communications and Engagement - Centre for Equality Rights in Accommodation](#)

CERA is seeking a motivated and committed individual with a commitment to human rights and strong skills in public policy, communications, government and stakeholder relations, advocacy, outreach and community engagement, and project and program management. If you are a self-starter with demonstrated experience managing projects and programs, successfully navigating policy processes and multi-stakeholder environments, and communicating complex messages to various audiences in service of advancing policy change, this may be the role for you.

[Government & Community Relations Assistant - York University](#)

The Government and Community Relations Assistant (GCRA) will play a supporting role to the government and community relations initiatives in the Office of the President. The GCRA will also assist in the preparation of material to support meetings with government officials and community stakeholders, writing online content for the website, collecting data and preparing correspondence. The GCRA will thrive in a fast-paced and professionally fulfilling environment.

[Support Assistant - Toronto Public Health, Communicable Disease Control](#)

These aren't policy jobs, but TPH is hiring over 100 people to provide admin support to Mass Immunization Clinics. If you find yourself under employed, able to do non-WFH work, and feel inclined to literally help save the world, take a look.

[Communications Advisory & Constituency Assistant - Councillor Kristyn Wong-Tam](#)

This position is ideally suited for an energetic self-starter who is keenly interested in municipal government and politics and understands the importance of using a range of communications strategies, including digital and social media, to reach beyond traditional networks. In the constituency support part of the job the incumbent undertakes research and analysis for the Councillor with respect to policy matters and divisional services/programs as they relate to constituency/public inquiries and concerns.

[Director Government Relations - Kids Help Phone](#)

Reporting to the VP, National Partnerships & Chief Community Officer, this role works with executive leadership across the organization to plan and evaluate strategic directions, goals and metrics for the portfolio, informed by an organization-wide GR strategy (federal, provincial, municipal). The role identifies and develops funding opportunities to help advance provincial and local government priorities with Kids Help Phone, and continuously grows a strong base of champions and supporters for both elected and non-elected government officials to ensure 24/7 access to clinical service for youth in Canada.

[Senior Manager, Policy Advocacy - World Education Services](#)

World Education Services (WES) is a non-profit social enterprise dedicated to fostering the integration of internationally educated persons into academic and professional settings. They're looking for someone with a strong track record leading and implementing initiatives to achieve policy and programmatic change, to work on initiatives that will allow immigrants, refugees and international students to make full use of their education, experience, and competencies in the Canadian labor market.

[Director, Government and Stakeholder Relations - Shoppers Drug Mart](#)

The person in this role will finalize and execute an advocacy program that position's the company's health care footprint, work with Corporate Affairs & Communications team to promote Shopper's health care capabilities, engage government and health stakeholders to establish health system priorities across jurisdictions and initiate and develop policy position papers.

[Education Resources Advisor - Elections Ontario](#)

The Communications division is seeking a highly skilled, motivated, and experienced individual to develop and modernize Elections Ontario's (EO's) classroom educational materials and resources for elementary and high school students and teachers in Ontario to increase students' knowledge of civic participation, understanding and enthusiasm for the electoral process, awareness of voting and voter registration, and knowledge of the legislature and democracy in Ontario

[Research Associate, Immigration - The Conference Board of Canada](#)

Our Ideal Candidate... will be a skilled researcher with a demonstrated interest in public policy, economics and supporting improvements to Canada's immigration system. They will bring exceptional writing, quantitative and qualitative analysis skills, intellectual curiosity and passion and commitment to a culture that values high quality, creativity and thought leadership. The successful candidate will be part of a professional research and convening team and will undertake integrated, non-partisan, applied research for public policy and private sector decision-makers. We are a virtual organization and as a remote worker you must be comfortable and able to work 100 per cent of the time from a home office. To be successful as a remote worker you need to have a self-starter attitude, possess strong organizational and time management skills, and be a proactive communicator.

[Anti-Racism Lead – Ontario Ministry of the Attorney General](#)

Do you have experience addressing complex equity, diversity and human rights issues impacting the Black, Indigenous and other racialized communities? Do you have an expert level knowledge of anti-racism, anti-oppression, equity, diversity and inclusion frameworks? If so, please join the Office of the Deputy Attorney General where you will proactively identify challenges and opportunities related to these areas of expertise to support Anti-Racism planning and strategy.

In this job, you will:

- Provide individual consultation and advice to employees, managers and executives on a confidential basis to resolve incidents of equity and race-based discrimination/harassment issues.
- Listen and understand the perspectives of racialized employees to help navigate the range of resolution options available.
- Facilitate early resolution of concerns by coordinating mediation and other forms of alternative dispute resolution techniques and restorative practices to address issues before they escalate
- Create an affirming and safe environment conducive to the sharing of sensitive information and provides empathetic support to employees in situations that may be deeply traumatic and unsettling to individuals impacted by racism.
- Provide strategic advice on issues, program and policy projects and initiatives.
- Collaborate with internal stakeholders/divisions to support the design and delivery of anti-racism educational and awareness sessions and related program initiatives.
- Provide strategic advice on ministry policy proposals and related communications.
- Identify and manage contentious issues that are highly sensitive and that could have significant impact/policy implications and that require proactive/remedial action.
- Work proactively with senior staff, managers and staff in the provision of expert consultation, strategic advice and issues coordination.
- Build positive relations and works collaboratively with OPS enterprise partners and stakeholders.
- Liaise with ministry subject matter experts in diversity, inclusion and accessibility to collaboratively develop internal strategies to address ministry priorities.



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